

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

DAVID Q. WEBB,

Plaintiff,

v.

NAPHCARE, INC.,

Defendant.

CASE NO. 3:21-cv-05761-TL

ORDER

This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff David Q. Webb's second motion to appoint counsel (Dkt. No. 58).

The procedural history of this matter was previously recited in the Court's order of referral on Plaintiff's first motion to appoint counsel. *See* Dkt. No. 53. That first referral to the Pro Bono Panel was unsuccessful, and the Court ultimately denied Plaintiff's motion. Dkt. No. 57. However, the Court allowed Plaintiff "to seek a limited-scope representation of *pro bono* counsel" if he wished. *Id.* at 3. Plaintiff promptly did so, filing the instant motion for *pro bono* counsel for the limited purpose of assisting Plaintiff in responding to Defendant's pending

1 Motion to Dismiss (Dkt. No. 33). Dkt. No. 58. Defendant did not file any opposition to the
2 motion. The Court referred Plaintiff's request to the District's Pro Bono Panel Screening
3 Committee and re-noted his motion to June 16, 2023. Dkt. No. 62. On June 16, 2023, the Pro
4 Bono Panel Screening Committee informed the Court of its recommendation to appoint counsel
5 as described above.

6 Accordingly, the Court DIRECTS the Clerk to identify counsel from the Pro Bono Panel to
7 represent Plaintiff for the limited purpose of assisting Plaintiff in responding to the pending
8 Motion to Dismiss by **September 1, 2023**. If the Clerk timely identifies *pro bono* counsel, the
9 Court will issue an order of appointment; if not, the Court will be unable to appoint counsel for
10 Plaintiff. The Court further DIRECTS the Clerk to renote Plaintiff's second motion to appoint
11 counsel (Dkt. No. 58) for **September 1, 2023**.

12 Once Plaintiff's motion to appoint counsel is resolved, the Court will lift the stay in this
13 matter and resolve Defendant's pending Motion to Dismiss (Dkt. No. 33) and Plaintiff's pending
14 Motion for Sanctions (Dkt. No. 39).

15 Dated this 5th day of July 2023.

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